Public Law 98–130 98th Congress

Joint Resolution

To designate the day of October 22, 1983 as "Metropolitan Opera Day".

Oct. 14, 1983 [S.J. Res. 128]

Whereas the Metropolitan Opera is one of the world's premier performing arts organizations and has an audience larger than that of any other such organization in the world;

Whereas the Metropolitan Opera, since its first performance one hundred years ago on October 22, 1883, has provided the finest

quality in opera to audiences throughout the Nation;

Whereas the Metropolitan Opera pioneered radio presentations of live opera, performing on radio for more than forty years and more recently on television;

Whereas the Metropolitan Opera has toured the United States since

its founding in 1883;

Whereas the Metropolitan Opera provides educational services to the people of the United States by generously encouraging and training young artists and by providing technical and managerial assistance to other opera companies in the Nation;

Whereas the Metropolitan Opera has presented renowned performing arts companies from all over the world at the Opera House;

Whereas the Metropolitan Opera House, which is maintained by the company, is one of the Nation's treasures and one of the greatest performing arts theaters in the world; and

Whereas, throughout its long history, the Metropolitan Opera Company has fostered generations of music lovers and has enriched and inspired this Nation: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation designating October 22, 1983, the one hundredth anniversary of its first performance, as "Metropolitan Opera Day" throughout these United States.

Metropolitan Opera Day.

Approved October 14, 1983.